

1           23. A method of expressing a transcript in an  
2 animal, the method comprising administering to the animal a  
3 nucleic acid comprising (1) a transcriptional start site for  
4 the transcript; (2) a promoter operably linked to the  
5 transcriptional start site; and (3) an enhancer operably  
6 linked to the promoter, the enhancer comprising the DNA  
7 sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or the RNA equivalent thereof.

1           24. The method of claim 23, wherein the nucleic  
2 acid is administered by parenteral injection.

1           25. The method of claim 23, wherein the nucleic  
2 acid is administered via a viral expression vector.

1           26. The method of claim 23, wherein the transcript  
2 is a mRNA encoding a polypeptide.

1           27. The method of claim 26, wherein the polypeptide  
2 is a growth hormone.

1           28. The method of claim 23, wherein the promoter is  
2 a  $\beta$ -globin promoter.

1           29. The method of claim 23, wherein the enhancer  
2 comprises SEQ ID NO:2 or the RNA equivalent thereof.

1           30. The method of claim 23, wherein the enhancer  
2 comprises SEQ ID NO:3 or the RNA equivalent thereof.

1           31. The method of claim 23, wherein the nucleic  
2 acid further comprises a transcriptional termination signal.

1           32. The method of claim 31, wherein the  
2 transcriptional termination signal is a polyadenylation  
3 signal.

32. The method of claim 31, wherein the  
transcriptional termination signal is a polyadenylation  
signal.